

COVA Performance Budgeting

October 2009

Getting from Here to There

Contract Award

On July 24, 2009, the Commonwealth of Virginia entered into a contract with Project Performance Corporation (PPC) to implement a new Performance Budgeting system for the Commonwealth. The goal of this project is to replace the variety of systems, databases, spreadsheets, and documents that currently support strategic planning and budgeting in the Commonwealth. The new fully integrated, webbased system will streamline existing COVA strategic planning and budgeting functionality and provide modernized features. The project is divided into two phases with the following development timelines:

Phase I (Aug 2009 → Aug 2010)

Operating Budget Development - PRO-BUD and WebBEARS will be replaced and the new system integrated with other system components.

Budget Execution - FATS will be replaced and the new system integrated with the Commonwealth's financial system.

Capital Budget Development - The current six-year capital budgeting system

and processes will be replaced by the new system.

Phase II (Aug 2010 → Mar 2011)

Agency Spending Plans - The new system will provide the capability for two pilot agencies to develop their budgets and spending plans at an agency-specific detailed level that can be rolled up to comply with DPB's submission requirements. Additional agencies can be brought on board over time.

Strategic Planning - The new system will be used for strategic planning and to track performance and administrative measures. It will also provide the necessary integration between strategic planning and budgeting.

Data from current systems will be converted as appropriate. Additionally, PPC will be providing support for the new Performance Budgeting system until January 2012.

Current Project Activities

During the week of Sept. 28, the project team conducted a series of focused meetings with key DPB stakeholders to document the *current state* of the workflows, communication flows, and

data flows. Concurrently, these groups identified opportunities to leverage the new system to improve the efficiency and effectiveness of the strategic planning and budgeting functions within the Commonwealth. These sessions will be followed by similar discussions with agency representatives.

Using the information obtained from these working sessions, the project design team will develop process models to prototype the new integrated business processes. These prototypes will be presented to DPB and agency workgroups to confirm the viability of the new/changed processes.

Using the BIDS software acquired as a component of this contract, the Commonwealth will be able to realize the intended future state. This future state includes modern technologies, a single database for all budgeting transactions, and new governance structures that will ensure the long-term sustainability of the Performance Budgeting system.

